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Title: FIRE PROTECTION SPRINKLER HEAD SUPPORT

The prior application is assigned of record to PNM, Inc., a Massachusetts corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on January 8, 1999 at 9701/0006.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

| | <u>Pages</u> |
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| Claims | 1 |
| Abstract | 1 |
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This application is a continuation and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120 of U.S. application serial number 10/294,886, filed November 14, 2002, which was a continuation of U.S. application 09/227,525, filed January 8, 1999, now issued as U.S. Patent 6,488,097. The application is related to U.S. application serial no. 09/228,082, now issued as U.S. Patent 6,123,154 and U.S. application serial no. 09/228,083, now issued as U.S. Patent 6,119,784. The disclosure of the prior

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applications is considered part of and is incorporated by reference in the disclosure of this application.

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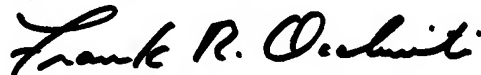
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